(a) whether final orders have been passed on the report of the Elementary Education Improvement Committee; and if so, when;

(b) what is the order?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

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5. Mr. R. Viswanathan Chettiar.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the number of Government and aided schools in the Nemmara Firkah;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the distance from Kairadi School to Ayloor L. S. School, and the distance from Chathamangalam School to Nemmara High School are greater than the distance from Kannimangalam school to Aylur or Nemmara;

(c) the amount of annual grant given by the Government to the Kannimangalam School;

(d) is it not a fact that the Kairadi and Chathamangalam shools are more useful to the low caste and poor people;

(e) in the light of the above facts why cannot the Government give an equal amount of grant to the Kairadi and Chathamangalam schools as is given to the Kannimangalam school, so that the low caste people may be more benefited?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon.—(a) Government 6, inclusive of a Goverment Industrial School. Aided 6.

(b) Yes.

(c) It is not fixed. For 1110 a sum of Rs. 861—5—0 was paid.

(d) Yes.

(e) The School at Chathamangalam is a Government institution and as no grant is paid to the school, the question does not arise so far as Chathamangalam school is concerned. No sort of preference is given to aided school, Kannimangalam over aided school, Kairadi. The grant is paid to both schools according to grant-in-aid rules and in fact aided school, Kairadi, has received a fair amount by way of grant in 1110.

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